# **EXCELLENT PROGRESS** IS MADE BY PUPILS IN PORTLAND'S SCHOOLS

Reports of Principals Indicate Over 70 Per Cent of Graduates Enter High School.

#### MORE WORK ON THREE R'S

Superintendent Alderman Also Has In troduced Innovations in Shape of Industrial Study.

Reports from principals and teach ers show that Portland's public schools have made excellent progress during the past six months. These re-ports show that very few pupils opped out of the grammar grades during the half year. Between 70 and 80 per cent, a total of over 700, grammar school graduates will enter high school tomorrow. The percentage of grammar school graduates entering high school is increasing, and the proportion of pupils dropping out of the lower grades is decreasing.

The result of efforts to keep chil dren in school is illustrated by what has been done in the Woodstock school In his report to Superintendent Alder man, A. J. Prideaux, principal, says; "During the year eight pupils left school-five boys and three girls. Two them, brother and sister, entered again this fall, having gone into the country for berry picking with their parents. Of the other six, three obtained employment and were 16 or had

#### More Work on "3 R's."

One of the six was withdrawn by ■uspension; one was suspended for re peated truancy, as he had been the year before at a neighboring school and one was withdrawn by her parents under a misapprehension. was detected this full, and the girl

'Five of the eight, then, stopped their school life during the year. Of the past six months use has been made more vocational work would have have sources. saved three and possibly four of these five for a longer school life."

Principals report that more work has been placed on the essentials-the three R's," reading, writing and arithmetic. But Superintendent Alderman says these are not the only essentials. Under his direction a number of new activities have been introduced into the

#### Industrial Study Is Made.

Vocational guidance in the grades is one of these innovations. During the past six months an industrial study of the pupils has been made. The purpose of this is to learn what the children want to do when they leave school, what they are especially fitted for, and after that is determined to fit the school course to the child's

In connection with this study of the pupil's individual needs an observa-This chart, one on chart is kept. being used for each pupil, will give health, industry, leadership, co-opera- and factors for new buildings. tion, judgment, politeness, home work

Foreign languages have been introduced in the grades. French, German and Latin is taught, and reports from the principals show that the pupils are making progress in studies which once were available only to those entering the high schools.

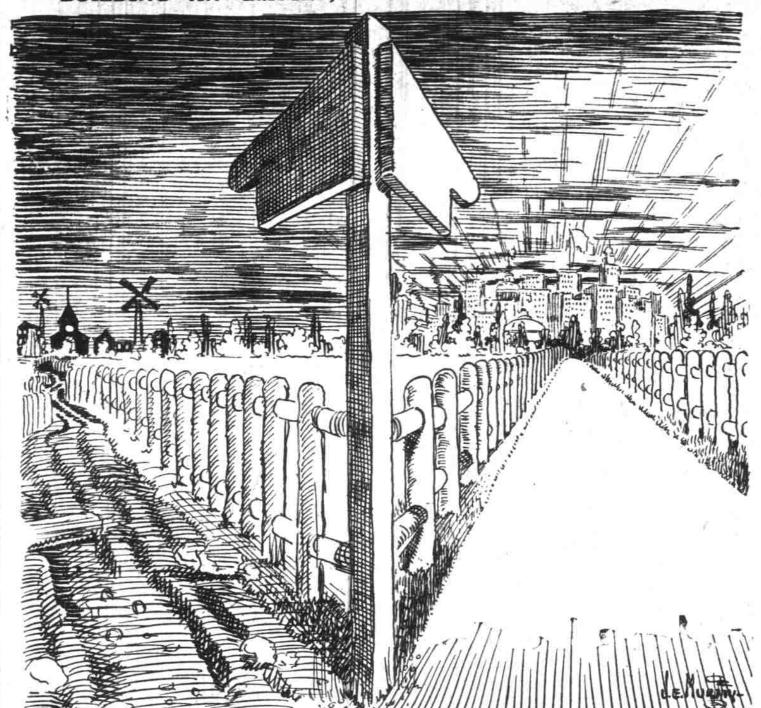
Another change of the past six months is a plan by which the teacher follows her pupils. Under this system the primary teacher does not advance but a teacher in the second grade will follow her pupils into the third, teacher in the fourth will stay with pupils through the fifth and sixth grades, and the seventh grade teacher will accompany her pupils through the eighth and ninth.

#### Visual Education Introduced.

Under this system, a pupil need have ginning school in the primary grade until graduation from the grammar

Credits for home work are being gradually introduced in the schools. These credits include work that boys and girls can do around their homes. They also include things relating to health and morals, such as bathing, brushing the teeth, sleeping with open windows, going to bed before 9 o'clock and attending church or Sunday school. Visual education has become a part of the Portland school system. During

BUILDING AN EMPIRE; THE TALE OF TWO ROADS



the 461 different pupils we had for the of lantern slides in many of the schools year, this makes 1.08 per cent, which is slightly better than the average of the preceding years. I believe that Oregon geography and the state's remove the procedure of the preceding years.

#### Assessor Reed's Booklet Praised

Two Eastern Writers Send Letters Description and Factors for Buildings

High praise of the methods employed y Assessor Henry E. Reed in making assessments and interest in a booklet entitled "Factors of Value of New Buildings and Explanation of Land Value Maps," describing Multnomah unty methods, comes from two Eastern sources.

Lawson Purdy, president of the Board of Taxes and Assessments of New York City, wrote as follows to Mr. Reed: 'I have looked over your Mr. Reed: "I have looked over your sion of the steamer Great Northern to factors of value of new buildings with the Hawailan islands the middle of much interest. I congratulate you on this month will find the arrival at the teacher's marking on the following points: Posture, voice, state of the carefully worked out descriptions their destination, Honolulu, one of the lit is charged that he inc

From Cyrup Foss, private secretary Mayor Blankenberg, of Philadeiphia, ame, a letter asking for copies of the ook for persons in Philadelphia interested in modern taxation methods. Copies of Mr. Reed's booklet are still available and may be secured by communicating with his office.

#### Mount Lassen Puts On Regular Show

After Being Midden by Clouds for 10 Days the California Volcano, Snow- telephone to the capital. Covered, Gives 2-Hour Performance.

Redding, Cal., Feb. 6 .- Mount Lassen deserves to be called "Old Faithful"-after being obscured by clouds but four teachers from the time of be- for 10 days, the volcano, snow-capped self full of ships from every quarter from the recent storm, stood out brightly in sunlight this morning, eruption occurred that lasted for two hours, changing the northern and orient or for the last lap to the states. western slopes into a dingy black with ashes. This is eruption No. 76, according to the count kept at Redding, inseen during the storm lasting much more than a week.

> French Oceana has 3500 persons en gaged in diving for pearls.

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### HONOLULU DESCRIBED AS BEAUTY SPOT OF WONDERFUL CLIMATE

Complimenting Oregon Official on Remarkable Trip Is Promised

The arrival of a great steamer to port is always an impressive sight, but none is more impressive nor more interesting than the approach and landing at Honolulu.

most pleasurable experiences of their

four days of rest and recreation on lulu is located. It will barely be disinguishable, but its sight will an- dition. nounce that the first leg of the jour-

Extinct Volcano in Sight.

Diamond Head next appears, an exnet volcano that shelters the harbor of the city, and then the harbor itof the globe, merchantmen, tramps and sailers—yachts, native outriggers and robed in pure white. About noon an mail steamers coaling and provisioning for the voyage on east to the Having entered the harbor the ves sel is boarded by the pilot who guides her to the dock. He will bring the though others have doubtless occurred morning papers and messages that Estate Is Valued at \$13,500 According have been addressed to passengers in care of the ship. After the health of-ficer has made his examination of the ship's company, the boat will proceed

As she slows down a horde of Hawallan boys clad only in breach clouts Passengers are expected to throw small coins overboard, the lads diving like fish beneath the surface of the blue water and returning with the prizes in

Native Bands Bender Music. And as the boat makes fast to the dock a native band will strike up a further \$1000 to each from the divisong of welcome and visitors will step on shore to one of the most hospitable greetings in the world.
The departure, however, is even

more impressive. Eugene C. Horton of the United States lighthouse service, who spent six years in the islands, says of this parting? "The departure of a vessel have ever witnessed. There is some-thing almost haunting about it. The leave taking of friends is a beautiful ceremony. Those who remain place leis or garlands of flowers around the necks of those who must leave. The band plays the pathetic Aloha Oe, the ship slowly leaves the dock to the waving of handkerchiefs and hands, and those on ship board take the leis from their necks and throw them to their friends on shore. There is no leave taking like it anywhere in the

#### Floral Parade Wonderful.

Great Northern passengers arrive in parade and of this beautiful pageant Mr. Horton says: "The number and beauty of flowers employed is indescribable. There are wonderful floats of many colored blooms. The native flowers and bright-hued foliage turn the city into a garden.

"I saw one parade in which the most beautiful float was composed entirely Judge Cleeton last year does not of wonderful gray flowers picked ply to this year's tax collections. from the crater of the great extinct volcano, Haleakala, the largest extinct volcano in the world. Haleakala is on until paid as late as August 31. After were brought all the way to Hono- ject to 10 per cent penalty and 12 per lulu and used to decorate this float."

mum cost of \$150 with the side trip to the active volcano Kilauea some \$10

rate an allowance is made on the rail my colored slides on a trip around the fare from Northwestern Pacific points. world showing them the roads in Northern and Northern Pacific rail-

### Methodist Pastor Accused of Fraud

Those Who Join Special African Zion Church Resists Attempt of W. W. Mathews to Collect Note, Charging Misrepresentation Used.

Answering the suit of W. W. Mathws to collect a note, the First African that Mathews, who was pastor of the church until October 15, 1912, secured the note through fraud. alleges that Mathews domineered the congregation through education and a ong personality, and November 1 1911, appointed a committee to fix his

committee to name \$100 a month as serving the public and making the After four days on the mild Pacific lieu thereof he would accept voluntary -four days of rest and recreation on the cleanest of ships, for the Great mainder through subscriptions. Be-Northern burns oil-the great liner fore that he was paid \$700 a year. It will come in sight of Molokal, a long, is charged that prior to his removal to low island that lies to the southeast San Francisco he mismanaged the afof Oahu, upon which the city of Hono- fairs of the church and corruptly placed the finances in a desperate con-

The answer charges that he repre-Then the bare coast of the island of Oahu itself will come into view, first the lighthouse on Koko head, from Sold for 122 000 and that the church property at Thirteenth and Main streets could be the lighthouse on Koko head, from which the vessels coming to the island church officials to sign the note that are sighted and the news flashed by he might secure \$200 to pay his transportation to San Francisco. He se cured the money, it is alleged, and has failed to repay it. It is asserted that the church has been compelled to pay \$427.58 in bills he contracted. The church alleges that no back salary is

### Will of John Wood Filed for Probate

to Petition of Widow for Probate of

A value of \$13,500 was put upon the state left by John Wood, president of the John Wood Iron Works, who died will leap into the water and swim January 12, in the petition of Mary C. vigorously toward the steamer, each Wood, his widow, for probate of the yelling and shricking and vicing with will and appointment as executrix. The the others to reach the vessel first will, however, appears to show a larger valuation.

The will provides that to each of the five daughters, Louise A. Wood, Margaret Schmeer, Gwendolen Nelson, Ada Weiss and Elizabeth Ewing, \$1000 shall be paid from dividends of the company as soon as possible with a dends two years hence,

Mrs. Wood is left 40 per cent of the stock in the iron works. Edward H. Weiss, son-in-law, is left two shares of the stock and the remainder is left to Jonn Wood, Jr., the only son. The Wood residence, 603 Holly street, with contents and all life insurance, was from Honolulu lives in my memory as one of the most impressive sights I the estate is divided in equal shares among the daughters.

# Equal Last Year's

During Pirst Six Days of Period Set for Collection \$76,408.91 Came Into Coffers of County.

Tax collections for the first six days of the present year's parments were almost \$40,000 less than for the first six days of 1914. Last week \$/\$,408.91 Honolulu the day of the annual floral was collected, compared with \$115, 618.57 for 1914. An even 1400 persons paid in full or half payments last week, compared with 1937 during the corresponding week of 1914.

The majority of taxpayers are making full payments this year, as it is becoming known that the decision of Judge Cleeton last year does not ap-All taxes unpaid March 31 will be

assessed 1 per cent interest a month

#### and will have to work out the problems that now confront us. "I tried to show them what a won-

Illustrated Lectures Given Daily Were to Provide schools to lunch at the University clab Knowledge of State.

USEFUL WORK AMONG

CHILDREN IS DONE

Something More in Life Than Money.

If you look in the list of teachers of the temperate zone. he Portland public schools you will weeks he has been giving daily illustheir own state and the world that annot be found in any textbook. He p. m., frequently giving a lecture in side by the housewives. and 10:45 in the morning and 2:30 and

"I have been talking on an average about five hours a day," said Mr.

"They were so enthusiastic and felt it would be of such benefit to the school children if they also could see the pictures, that I arranged to let every school child in the grade schools from 10 years up to high school age see the pictures and I also planned to give them a short talk on their own

"The work grew before I knew it and resulted in my showing not only the pictures of Oregon and its roads In addition to this remarkably low but in taking the children by means of Full information may be obtained Europe and giving them an idea of from agents of the S. P. & S., Great the national life, customs and products of other countries as compared with "I found this led to a still larger

work, the showing one of my large globes and telling the pupils a number of interesting facts in connection with t that are not found in their geogra-

"Next Monday night at the library l am going to give a talk to the parents of the children. Through Archbishop Christie I also extended an invitation to the students of all of the parochial schools and they came to see the pictures and hear the lecture. In addition to the grade schools and the parochial schools the business colleges also had their students come and a number of the high school students

Something More Than Money. "What I tried to do in my lecture was to show the children that there is something in life worth far more than It is charged that he induced the the mere making of money and that is world a better place for their having lived in it. I told them how men like John B. Yeon and Simon Benson were giving their time, their money and their ability without financial reward "In other words, I tried to show build character and that the cure for

Years of Continuous Research and Intense Application by the World's Greatest Inventor Are



In 1878 Thomas A. Edison brought out the first phonograph. So wonderful was this machine that reproduced the human voice that it was taken about the country for exhibition. The records were made from specially prepared tin foil, and the exhibition included both the making and the reproduction of the record. Everyone knows how rapidly the

talking machine has advanced since ts introduction-nearly everyone beeing satisfied that the talking mahine had reached the stage of perfection. One exception was Edison, the original inventor. He believed that a more perfect instrument could be made and after four years of continuous study and research he gives the public his Diamond Disc Phonograph, the instrument he considers perfect. Edison's new reproducer is fitted with a genuine diamond ground and polished to fit the exact groove of the record. This reproducer and the new indestructible ecords bring out tones so sweet and clear, and the beauties of the overtones, hitherto entirely lost in the process of reproduction.

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hands, as they are the future citizens of the producer into the hands of the

derful state they had and to impress them with the fact that the time would come when the country between Eugene and Vancouver, B. C., would be the most densely populated section of the globe on account of its great fer-tility, its mild climate and also because it lies along the Pacific, where the commerce of the world will be devel-

Gave Talk to Principals. "I took the principals of all of the

and there I gave them a little talk that I believe will be helpful to them and to other teachers and pupils. One fact brought out in my lecture that I found greatly interested the pupils was the wide diversity of products in a 100 mile circle of which Portland is the circle we had turkeys and cranberries, salmon and oysters, almonds and apricots, figs, peanuts and sweet potatoes, apples and alfalfa, as well as all of the fruits and vegetables that grow in

"Another thing that greatly internot find his name, but nevertheless in ested the children was a comparison of the past two months there has not our own times with those of 100 years been a teacher in Portland who has ago. I showed them how in 1815 there done a more useful work of education were only four stage coaches plying than Samuel Hill. During the past few between Philadelphia and New York with a total capacity of 28 passengers trated lectures to the Portland school a day. How late for \$10 passengers children, giving them a knowledge of could go in 16 hours by boat and how in those days there were only 12 factories in the United States making has been giving the lectures at 9:30 cotton cloth, since 85 per cent of all of

Told of Commerce's Origin. "I took them on until the stage

coach was superseded by 'Puffing Hill, "and I have addressed practically Bille," the first locomotive, carried 15,000 school children, teachers and them forward to the days of rapid parents in the past few months. The transit by railroad and then on to the are said to be enough available to Albert is said to have waylaid and plan of giving the illustrated lectures present day of self-controlled vehicles to the school children occurred to me operating on high-class highways, and through having invited the board of then I showed them how the prosperoperating on high-class highways, and education to see my views of the Co- ity of the future is linked with the delumbia highway and hear a talk on velopment of highways which will be Collins, vice president; Louis Woerner, jecting their cutting edges to 1200 feet

many of our social ills lies in their the waterways to bring the products West Coast Lumber consumer without any exorbitant

charges for transportation. "I showed them how commerce orignated with the Phoenicians, had gone to Venice, where it had remained for 1400 years, had then gone to the low lands, Holland and the Netherlands and finally had gone to England. And by the by, it is an interesting fact not known by many people that the pounds shillings and pence sign of the English

ibrae, the S standing for solidi and the ensuing year, the D standing for denarit. "Cramming" Not Education.

"To my mind the school that merely ing him. The teacher who teaches the child to think and to reason is the one prised to know that in this 100 mile for he is preparing the child not for tary, Thorp Babcock, Tacoma, reconstruction who is fulfilling his highest mission, a quarterly examination, but for life. the pictures of Oregon roads and have realized what good roads mean to Oregon's improvement when they become voters than the citizen of today who does not realize how vital is the need

#### LOGGERS HOLD MEETING

prove the quality of our citizenship."

iation held its annual meeting here yesterday afternoon, reelected its offi- cipal witness for the state in the ers and discussed conditions affecting the logging industry. While the outer than it has been for several months, it is said that little real activity may next 30 days. As for fir logs there meet the demands for that period of given Goldstein a thrashing, time. Red cedar logs, however, are reported scarce. The officers reelected are: J. S. O'Gorman, president; E. S. used by auto trucks in connection with secretary, and J. S. Bradley, treasurer. of stropping leather a minute

Association Elects

H. Bloedel of Bellingham, Wash. Elected President by the Board of

The newly elected trustees of the Coast Lumber Manufacturers' ssociation elected at the annual meeting at Tacoma January 29, held their currency, L., S., D., comes from the first meeting here yesterday at the Venetian currency, the L standing for Benson hotel and elected officers for Senson hotel and elected officers for The new officers are: President, J

H. Bloedel of the Bloedel-Donovan

Lumber Co., Bellingham, Wash.; vice crams information into a child's head is injuring the child more than helpvice president for Washington, A. W. Middleton, of the Anderson-Middleton Lumber Co., Aberdeen, Wash.; secre ed; treasurer, J. J. Dempsey, of the "I believe the children who have seen J. J. Dempsey Lumber Co., Tacoma. Other members of the board are Kirk, Beaver Lumber Co., Portland gon will be willing to do more for Ore- E. B. Hazen, Bridal Veil Lumbering Co., Portland; R. S. Shaw, Hamm Lumber Co., Astoria; E. L. Gaudetti

South Bend Mills & Timber Co., South for getting producers on the land to Bend, Wash.; A. N. Riggs, McCormick maintain our prosperity and to im-Bronson, Day Lumber Co., Seattle; E. Palmer, British Columbia.

Put Under Peace Bonds. Sam Albert, brother of Max Albert, who was recently involved in the arson cases, and Victor Goldstein, the prin cases, were each bound over in the sum of \$200 to keep the peace by Mulook for business this spring is bright- nicipal Judge Stevenson yesterday Since the investigation in the argon cases started, there has been muc be looked for in the logging camps the bad blood between the Alberts and Goldstein, and Wednesday night Sam

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